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The National Weather Service office in Little Rock is changing its Winter Storm Warning Criteria for snow, effective immediately, beginning this winter weather season (e.g. Winter of 2020 — 2021)

In collaboration with other National Weather Service offices that serve Arkansas (e.g. NWS Shreveport, NWS Jackson, NWS Memphis, NWS Tulsa), your National Weather Service office in Little Rock is changing our winter storm warning criteria for snow to 4" or more of snowfall accumulation per winter weather event. We also have the discretion to issue a winter storm warning for snowfall for lesser amounts (down to 2" snowfall accumulation) based on the potential for significant travel impacts and in collaboration with other offices that serve the state of Arkansas.

Our previous criteria for issuing a winter storm warning for snow was 4" or more of snowfall in 12 hours, or 6" of snowfall or more in 24 hours.

Our criteria for issuing a winter storm warning for ice and sleet remain unchanged.

A winter storm warning for ice is 1/4" or more of ice accumulation.

A winter storm warning for sleet is 1/2" or more of sleet accumulation.



If you have any questions or concerns about this change please feel free to email me at:
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